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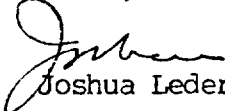
Dear Bill:

I just wanted to express my thanks to you again for having enticed me into the visit to Rockefeller University, from which I just returned. It was extraordinarily congenial and efficient, in my encounters both with colleagues and with the members of the board. I had not doubted that I could be a workable match to the institution, but the visit left me wavering - for the first time - on whether it would not also be so much fun to be there to justify the trauma of transplantation. However, it will serve noone to let me be captivated merely by the sentimental aura and I will await further word on the 'cold realities' by which the situation must also be judged.

Meanwhile, if there is anything else that I can offer to do that would be of any help in further clarification, please don't hesitate to suggest it. For my part, several informational circuits were opened up and I will certainly be able to extend my own education about the institution.

My next planned trip east is not till December 14-16 (Washington) (and, in fact, my schedule here is quite convoluted until the last week or so in November) — just to post a bulletin that might be handy for you to know.

Yours,

  
Joshua Lederberg

*P.S. I just heard that a site visit planned here for early November has been postponed to Nov. 28 week.*

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